

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

ARIZONA STATE BOARD FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools and to the general public that the Board will hold a public meeting, open to the public as specified below. The Board reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda, with the exception of public hearings set for a specific time. One or more members of the Board may participate in the meeting by telephonic communications.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2), (3) and (4), the Board may vote to go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, for legal advice concerning any item on the agenda, for discussion or consultation with the Board's attorneys to consider the Board's position and instruct its attorneys regarding the Board's position in pending or contemplated litigation or in settlement discussions, or to discuss and consider records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law.

Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting Heather Kelley at (602) 364-3080. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

DATED AND POSTED this 7th day of January 2007.

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ARIZONA STATE BOARD FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS

Monday, January 14, 2008

Regular Session
9:30 A.M.

Executive Tower
1700 West Washington Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85007
Basement Room 56

ALL ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA ARE OPEN FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION, INCLUDING
REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS

A COPY OF THE AGENDA BACKGROUND MATERIAL PROVIDED TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CHARTER BOARD (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MATERIAL RELATING TO POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSIONS) IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AT THE CHARTER BOARD'S OFFICE AT 1700 W. WASHINGTON STREET, ROOM 164, PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85007.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance**
- B. Moment of Silence**
- C. Roll Call**
- D. Call to the Public** – This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism, or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.
- E. Election of Officers**
- F. Arizona Charter Schools Association** – Update on current events and presentation of an example of the positive impact of charter schools.
- G. Superintendent's Report** --Update on current events and/or activities of the Department of Education.
- H. Executive Director's Report** – Introduction to the agenda items—Discussion and possible action:
 - 1. Status of charters with previous and/or on-going board actions: 4-Winds Academy, Inc., Academy of Arizona, Ascending Roots Scholastic & Athletic Premise, Inc., Bradley Academy of Excellence, Inc., DCS Partners, Inc., Educational Administrative Services Corporation, Franklin Arts Academies, New Samaritan High School, Dove Learning, Inc.
 - 2. Accountability Database Development and Web Enhancement Project Update
- I. Subcommittee Reports**
 - 1. Policy, Rule & Contracts Subcommittee
 - 2. Legislative Subcommittee
- J. Consent Agenda**—All items on this agenda will be considered by a single motion with no discussion, unless requested otherwise by a board member (to Board staff's knowledge, the following charter schools are in compliance with their charter contract):
 - 1. Charter for Excellence LLC – Exception to USFRCS and Procurement
 - 2. Destiny School, Inc. – Change in Grade Levels
 - 3. Great Hearts Academies -Mesa Prep – Exception to USFRCS and Procurement
 - 4. PPEP & Affiliates dba Arizona Virtual Academy – Change in Charter Mission
- K. Good Cause Extension Request for Consideration** – Discussion and possible action on the request for a good cause extension:
 - 1. America Can!
 - 2. Educational Enterprises, Inc.
 - 3. Imagine Elementary at Golden Valley, LLC
 - 4. Imagine Elementary at Sahuarita, LLC
 - 5. Imagine Elementary at Signal Peak, LLC
 - 6. Imagine High School at West Valley, LLC
 - 7. Imagine High School at Sierra Vista, LLC
 - 8. Imagine High School at South Mountain, LLC
 - 9. Imagine Middle at Golden Valley, LLC
 - 10. Laveen Preparatory: a Challenge Foundation Academy
 - 11. Paragon Education Corporation
 - 12. Scholastic Academy for Young Adults Charter School

L. Compliance Matters – Discussion and possible action.

The Board will receive information to determine whether evidence exists that the following schools are in breach of one or more provisions of their charter contract, federal, state, or local laws regarding their failure to comply with the fingerprinting requirements prescribed in § 15-183, subsection C or § 15-512. If the Board determines that a breach may have occurred, the Board may take action as it deems appropriate or necessary under state law, which may include imposing a civil penalty of one thousand dollars per occurrence.

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A) (3) and (4), the Board may vote to go into Executive Session which will not be open to the public, for the purposes of receiving legal advice.

1. Luz Academy of Tucson, Inc.
2. El Centro for the Study of Primary and Secondary Education

M. New Charter School Applications—Discussion and possible action on the following applications and requests for a charter for applicants that provided applications with evidence of a comprehensive program of instruction and a detailed business plan:

1. AZ Compass Schools, Inc
2. Blue Adobe Project
3. Cambridge School of the Arts, L.L.C.
4. Candeo School, Inc.
5. Choice Academy, Inc.
6. Ed Ahead
7. Haven Montessori Children's House, Inc.
8. New Destiny Leadership Charter School Inc.
9. Pima Prevention Partnership
10. San Tan Montessori School Inc.
11. Tempe Preparatory Junior Academy
12. University Public Schools, Inc.

N. New Charter School Applications—Discussion and possible action on the following applications and requests for a charter for applicants that provided applications that do not provide evidence of a comprehensive program of instruction and/or a detailed business plan but who requested that their applications be forwarded to the Board for consideration:

1. Dawn Education Group, Inc
2. FountainGate Ministries International, Inc.
3. Inspired Caring Education, Inc.
4. New Century Montessori Charter School, Inc.
5. Vast Investment LLC
6. YouthWorks, Inc

O. Board Comments - Comments by Board members on administrative matters and current and upcoming events.

P. Approval of Minutes

November 27, 2007

Q. Adjournment